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This is in response to the requirement for restriction dated April 27, 2004.

It is submitted that the requirement for restriction relating to claims 1-29 is inaccurate inasmuch as these claims were canceled in the Preliminary Amendment filed October 28, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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